



Match Report

Opponent: Washington Rugby Football Club

Date: 10 Sept 05

First Match: Navy 10 Washington 5

Second Match: Navy 20 Washington 7

Navy Rugby recognized the Firstie Class of 2006 and their parents this past weekend before taking the field against Washington Rugby Football Club. The mothers all escaped harm from the pins of their boutonnieres and cheered their sons' early control of the match.

First blood was drawn by Navy as second-class fly half Rob Miller knocked a 40 meter penalty from straight away for an early 3 nil score line. Navy was quick to attack again as third-class flanker Andrew Vagley cut back and broke through the Washington defense to take the ball to ten meters from try. Senior number 8 Jake Womble punched across the line for the only Navy try of the match; Miller converted (Navy 10 Washington 0). The second half saw a more even match in terms of territory with each side spending time in both ends of the field. Washington put in a late try but Navy held on for a final score of Navy 10 Washington Rugby Football Club 5.

The second match saw Navy again strike early as third-class wing

Ryan Worrell outran the Washington wing and fullback on the right side for Navy's first of the match; no conversion (Navy 5 Washington 0). The Gold shirted defense proved too strong for Washington and produced the second try of the match with second-class fly half Pat Butler falling onto a botched Washington pass in the try zone; no conversion (Navy 10 Washington 0). The try of the day came in the second half. Second-class fullback Paul Bailey fielded a kick at his own 22 and burst forward splitting three white and blue clad defenders within ten meters. Between the two ten meter lines, Bailey flying forward the whole time, crashed and spun his way through five more Washington players before pinning the fullback and leaving third-class wing Jordan Fogler to stride in 40 meters for Navy's third try; no conversion (Navy 15 Washington 0). Firstie center Shawn Lang capped the day for Navy with a strong run off phase play for a 20 nil Navy lead. Washington cracked the scoreboard late and added the only conversion of the match for the final line of Navy 20 Washington Rugby Football Club 7.